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WIRES GO BACK TO OWNERS, REDS IMPORTED WITH RATE RESTRICTIONS; TO SET BOMBS, STRIKE ORDERED IN SOUTH

Postmaster-General.

STRING TIED TO ORDER

Forbidden to Make Any Tariff Changes Pending Congress Action.

CONTROL BOARD TO QUIT

Powers of Companies Practically Limited to Operation of Properties.

under the control of Postmaster-Genthe formulation and putting into effect of individual policies. Announcement to this effect was made at the Post Office Department.

There is a string to the order, however, which provides that the compensation contracts and awards by companies shall remain in effect until the final end of Government control. The order also provides that rates which have been fixed shall remain in effect for the present and the companies are ordered to observe the discrimination against employees on

The operating board created by the Pestmaster-General is relieved of its operating duties by the order and is to make a full report of its activities prior to dissolving. This board, the order provides, must be dissolved by June 14 at

Mr. Burleson explained the order in a

The President factors of the wire systems and the control of the owning companies with inspection of the Police Department motor vehicles, Eppse has been acting as the Mayor's chauffeur, driving his their operation, and the Senate committee having taken action looking to their limousine—all the while holding the title say as to the policy of that company and the House comegislation having indicated concurrence in the suggested immediate return with feel it my duty to now return the actual control of operations to the companies.

Some days ago I directed the neceseary orders to be prepared to accomplish this and have to-day issued same. These orders do not affect questions of rates and finance with which the Conforce and the financial relations between the Government and the companies and the order of October 2, 1918. a chauffeur attached to the office in the probibiting discrimination because of Congress in its wisdom may decide to Post for that purpose?"
The title of the newly created position change them or the 'emergency' is ter-

minated by the proclamation of peace. "By the action now taken, however, trol of operations of their respective properties and are free to formulate and tricted by Government control, wh to continue in any case a few weeks, management of their properties. It will may be closed on the day Government accurate statement may be made when it is called on for same."

Would Continue Rates a Year.

Existing telephone and telegraph rates the judgment of J. C. Koons, Assistant Postmaster-General and chairman of the Board of Wire Control. He was a witness to-day before the House Interstate Commerce Committee. Koons said he believed a deficit

panies' "revenues would be absorbed in he taken care of in that time."

Referring to the disputes between the stal Telegraph Company and Mr. teries on the witness said that this comernment business, and read a letter from its general manager to the manager of OF 8 PACKING HOUSES branch here to support his state-

of the Postal company's handling of Government business at crucial periods which would have justified taking over this property," he continued. "Had other companies assumed the attitude of the Postal the Government would have been strangled in the conduct of the war. "Government business is handled at 41 per cent. of the commercial rate. In peace times it is not large in volume, but in war time it was tremendous. na rates are low because of conces-Government. The policy of the Govern-ment is to divide the business, but the made every effort to shunt its share to the Western Union. The West-

Discrimination Is Alleged. Mr Koons quoted figures to show that e Western Union was naid much more

Telegraph and Telephone INVESTIGATOR IS TO WALK OUT IN HYLAN'S DRIVER **ELEVEN STATES**

Joseph W. Eppse's Police Job Konenkamp, Head of Commer a Sinecure, Says the "Searchlight." Nationwide Trouble.

HE'S REALLY CHAUFFEUR AIDS ATLANTA WORKERS

"Chauffeur Attendant" to Mayor Remains Unfilled.

According to an article that will apsear in an early number of the Search-Washington, June 5 .- The tele- Union, a trusted household retainer of phone and telegraph systems taken Mayor Hylan, who has an exempt job sinia, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, ever by the Government and put in the Police Department as "confidential investigator," is passing his time eral Burleson were returned to their running the Mayor's automobile, while Telegraphers Union, were ordered to cation of the men responsible for the the position created in the last budget tion of the property is concerned and of "chauffeur attendant" to the Mayor, which would be in the competitive class, never has been filled.

The article says:

"The Police Commiss ice Department's bomb squad, which he has apparently restored after abolishing it in spite of its excellent record for catching dynamiters, may or may not believe that the squad's detective talou will be increased by the Mayor's detail of his brother-in-law and bodyguard to place on the squad. If, however, Mayor Hylan is disposed in the public interes to break up the coterie of personal retainers who constitute his official entour requirement for the present against age he will permit the Police Commis-discrimination against employees on sincer to fill the position of confidential investigator in the Police Department by the appointment of some one who can

and will do the work for which that position was created.

"The position, which is in the exempt class of the civil service, is now filled by Joseph W. Eppse, who before Mr. Hylan's election as Mayor, drove his little Dedge car and was his handy man about the house. Eppse was appointed sbout the house. Eppse was appointed early in February, 1918, when it was announced by Commissioner Enright that Eppse is to investigate complaints that are sent to the Mayor and trans-mitted by him to the Commissioner.

"In fact, however, except for a short period immediately following his apperiod immediately following his appeared in a tour of

in the Police Department.

"As chauffeur to his Honor the Mayor Eppse has been an important personage. privileged to purchase automobile supfor the Mayor's car where he chos at Police Department expense without precedent official order, and at prices substantially in excess of those or similar goods for its own automo-

"When the budget for this year was in preparation it was discovered that a new position of chauffeur was to be provided for the Mayor's office. At the time the Mayor stated publicly:

open-one who is trained to do this work instead of taking a policeman off

was afterward changed to 'chauffeur attendant,' but Eppse, confidential in-vestigator in the Police Department, has continued to act and still acts as the suffeur attendant in the Mayor's office has never been filled.

"The position of chauffeur attendant would be in the competitive class of the civil service and perhaps a civil ser vice examination for the position might not result in the eligibility of any one who knows the Mayor's motoring necessary for each company to so idiosyncrasies as well as Mr. Eppse.

The position of confidential investigator in the Police Department was created by former Commissioner Wood for the purpose of having application

promptly for police pensions investigated by a same." civilian, who would not be subject to nfluence by the 'system' in the cours of his work. To provide an exempt position to which Eppse might be ap-pointed Commissioner Enright got rid of the confidential investigator, who was examining pension applications, leaving those matters for the attention of Lieut. Zanes, one of the recently made cap-tains, a colleague of Commissioner En-right among the officials of the Police Lieutenants' Association.

"When will Mayor Hylan permit the position of confidential investigator the Police Department to be filled by an incumbent who will do the work of the job instead of by his chauffeur extraordinary?

\$165,000.000 MERGER

S. Hawkinson to Head Union of Independents.

Merger of eight independent packing houses into one organization, capitalized at \$165,000,000, to operate in the United States, Canada and later in foreign countries, was announced here last night by James Imbrie, active head of the investment firm of Imbrie & Co.

son, vice-president of Wilson & Co., had resigned from that company to president of the new corporation. The identity of the packing involved was not disclosed, Mr.

stating that Mr. Hawkinson would an-nounce details of the merger upon his arrival here Monday.

Mr. Hawkinson, who rose in the packing industry from messenger boy, was chairman during the war of the cotton seed oil division of the Post of the Cotton on the Western Union seed oil division of the Food Adminis-

Mr. Imbrie said that F. S. Snyder of Boston, former member of the Food said, "only about 700 are members of Administration executive committee and the organization. In the territory coverad by Mr. Konenkamp's order less than tion, would be an executive of the new 400 of our employees are members of that union." Mr. Imbrie said that F. S. Snyder

cial Telegraphers, Hints at

Meanwhile Competitive Job of Western Union Only Affected Now, but It May Spread to Postal Company.

WASHINGTON, June 5 .- Employees of the Western Union Telegraph Comlight, the official organ of the Citizens pany in Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and New Orleans, La. go on strike immediately to-night by bomb outrages of last Monday night. S. J. Konenkamp, president of that

> was issued in support of Atlanta telegraph and telephone operators who went out several days ago, and asserted that it would unquestionably be followed by a nationwide strike within a few days. "I took the step immediately upor earning that Postmaster-General Burlecompanies," Mr. Konenkamp asserted Authority for it was extended by strike vote taken some time ago, which has been held up to see if we could not segotiate a peaceable settlement. very likely that the strike also will in-

volve the Postal company, but that can-not be determined yet. . turned coffice over the operation of tele-graph and telephone companies to their owners, he simply relieved himself of his obligations to operate them," said Mr. Konenkamp.
"Telegraphers and electrical workers in every section of the country are de-manding that I canction the strike they have voted. I will amounce the date of

eve voted. I will announce the date of general strike within seventy-two "It was an outrage for the Postmaster-General to employ strikebreakers in Atlanta to defeat the labor policies pro-claimed by President Wilson and em-

toward its employees. Already he has declared publicly that he will fight or-ganized labor to the finish. Therefore we decided to act quickly and beat him to it by authorizing a Southern States.

"There will be something doing every minute from now on until June 16. The electrical workers generally will walk out, and have been clamoring for sanc-tion of their strike vote. This means nes as well as the telegraphs will be tied up."

Mr. Konekamp declared he was ant upon a nationwide tie up of the wires at this time. He said he had made every effort to bring about a set-tlement with the Postmaster-General and intimated that the real reason for Mr. Burleson's hasty action in restoring control of operation was to als own hands of the matter on the eve

of a strike he knew was sure to come "The National War Labor Board or any similar body could have settled th whole matter within a short time," con-tinued the leader, "but Mr. Burleson has refused to permit any one to settle this trouble for him. Hence his action in unloading operation on the companies at this time. The sum total of difficulty in the past has been our inability to take Mr. Burleson's word for anything.

STRIKE ORDER FAILS TO AFFECT ATLANTA

New York Operators Arrive to Replace Union Men.

ATLANTA, June 5 .- Extension trike here of telegraph and telephone mployees belonging to the Commercia Telegraphers Union to all member union employed by the Western ion Telegraph Company in the Southern States had no effect on the local sit-uation, and company officials said to-night that the order for the walkout had and no noticeable effect on telephone an telegraph service throughout this section

Council of the Telegraphers Union, how-ever, asserted that despatches were be-ing received hourly from cities of the Southwest showing that members of the union were obeying the order as rapidly as it reached them.

Mayor Key of Atlanta telegraphed toiay to Postmaster Burleson and S. J. Konenkamp, president of the telegrahers' union, asking the creation of ocal committee to arbitrate the strik The walkout began Monday, when tele phone operators affiliated with the teleg raphers' union left work, asserting the Southern Bell Company had harged several employees for union ac

WESTERN UNION UNCONCERNED

President Carlton Says Strike Wil Newcomb Carlton, president of th Western Union Telegraph Company, de-clared last night that the strike of West-

"Of more than 40,000 Western Union mployees eligible for membership in the

CLUE INDICATES HE SAW TREATY

With Memorandum Found Has Full Text.

MORE ARRESTS MADE BORAH DEFIANT ALSO

Detectives From Several Upper House Wrangles as Cities Confer Here and Exchange Information.

by Messenger Boy.

FROM FRANCE TO VOTE INQUIRY TO-DAY

Washington Police Now Cer- Investigate State Department tain They Will Trace Identity of One Plotter.

A scrap of paper in a leather wallet found by a messenger boy on the lawn

It is the most important clue that has been discovered so far in the coun-Mr. Konenkamp said the strike order trywide search for the perpetrators of the wholesale murder plot arranged by the international "Reds."

The wallet and paper in question are now in the hands of the authorities, and last night little doubt was expressed that they were the property of son had ordered wires returned to the the man who was blown to atoms by

The new evidence, the police and Federal detectives believe, tends to show It is that French and possibly Italian anarchists were imported to participate in the consummation of the red reign of terror. "When ____ Postmaster-General re-turned control over the operation of tele-turned control over the operation of tele-A memorandum in the wallet is said to recently on a French steamship at New York. The name on the paper, as well as the name of the steamship, are being withheld for the time by the police, but ke they detectives last night were in communication with the French line in an effort to check up the name on the me with the passenger list of the vessel on

Picture of Boy Also Found.

In addition to this bit of evidence there were also in the wallet a number of French and Italian postage stamps and a photograph of a boy about 10 years old, whom the police believe may of the French Ambasador in Washington and the French Consul-General in to determine if the information contained in the wallet was correct.

In the absence of any other evidence to the contrary by the local police these facts along with other discoveries in asking consideration for his resolution, Philadelphia were engaging the attention of the New York officials last night. At 2:30 Tuesday afternoon a mesand discovered the wallet on the private the article escaped the motice of the pro-

fessional investigators is not explained. An investigation of the contents revealed the memorandum written in Senate. French indicating the identity of the sho French indicating the identity of the should have been made by the Senators owner and conveying the information of who lugged into the Senate this very his arrival in America. If the name serious charge. They do not appear to given checks up with the steamer's passenger list a search for the dead man's relations and associates in Europe will be commenced at once. The present theory of the police, which is accepted for the moment in want of a bette is that the man arrived in New York and started for Washington with the bomb in his possession. how or when the hat with the These concerns, they say, i ar interests in the treaty." nanufacturers, came into his posses-

Hat Clue Is Explained.

This hat, a light gray one, and new, the man woro a derby hat when he approached the residence of the Attor on his person for purposes of a quick

In addition to this feature the in-estigation in Philadelphia resulted in nese conclusions: That the bombs placed in that city onsisted of a plain wooden box,

That the explosion at the home the jeweller, Louis Jagielky, was not accidental but designed by the an-

The sifting of the ruins near the scene of the jeweller's home and the rectory in this city revealed absolutely nothing to-day. No trace of any metallic casing of a bomb was found and this

for Homeward Voyage

Supplied With Smokes

MILITARY students of Beaune University in France, as well as the administration, will be furnished with SUN Fund Tobac co to complete their happiness when they start for America. The date of closing the school is June 7. Read an interesting letter about Beaune, printed on

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LODGE REFUSES CHANCELLOR WILL REJECT TO TELL WHERE

Dead Anarchist's Wallet Says Senate Cannot Compel Him to Reveal Man Who

ONLY TO CLARIFY

Hitchcock Assails "Outrageous Actions."

for Its "Explanation," Urges Bay State Man.

Special Despatch to THE SEN WASHINGTON, June 5. - The Senate failed to pass to-day the resolution by Senator Hitchcock directing the Foreign Relations Committee to investigate the "treaty leak," but at adjournment leaders on both sides said that it would doubtless pass to-morrow and that the investigation would be under

regard to the leak. Senator Lodge isued an ultimatum. He had already told the Senate all that he proposed to tell. He repeated it in order to make assurance complete. But he added that he would not tell "either here or anywhere else" the name of the man who had handed him a copy of the treaty.

Mr. Borah was equally defiant. He and Mr. Lodge were perfectly willing there should be an investigation. They were as anxious as anybody to learn how copies of the treaty had come into possession of New York business interests while it is denied to the Senate and the American people.

From the State Department Acting Secretary Polk issued through Senator Hitchcook a denial that he had ever said that copies of the treaties were in the hands of New York business conments of the treaty which had fallen into the hands of interests there.

Resolution Expected to Pass

At the close of the day's session was tacitly agreed that the resolution Mr. Lodge still reiterated that the investigation would be a farce. "Borah and I will proceed to investigate ourselves. I suppose," he said, addbe the son of the dead man. The offices ing that of course a Senator could not be compelled to tell anything that he did not want to. Senators being privileged

A few minutes after the opening of the President Wilson has been working assent to any one signing the treaty position heretofore, nor reconcilable for Russia, even in the event Kolchak with my conscience. session Mr. Hitchcock was on his feet hard. "I assume," he said, "that there will be no substantial opposition. It seems to me a matter of the most tremendous senger boy called at the Palmer home urgency that an investigation should be had of the charges made upon the regrounds of the Attorney-General. How sponsibility of two Senators here, that copies of the peace treaty with Germany have fallen into the hands of New York

interests while being withheld from the "The demand for an investigation their own statements or the embarras ing position in which they place themselves by not demanding an investiga-

These Senators declared in effect that the President withholds copies of this treaty from the Senate and they insinuate very broadly that he permits copies to go to business concerns in New York. These concerns, they say, have particu-

sion, but the suggestion has been put forward that it may have been handed to him to make a quick getaway.

Didn't Say "Financial Interests."

Senator Lodge said he was willing to

whatever. assume that when the Senator ber, and the Senator fro Idaho, leading the other faction of the party, concur on the same day in making these charges and insinuations against a coordinate branch of the Gov ernment." replied Senator they are in accord, and that what one of them says is indorsed by the other."
Senator Borah remarked that Senator Lodge had not said anything about special interests or anything of that

"I was sorry he did not, but he did ot," added Senator Borah, "It is possible," replied Mr. Hitchcock, "that the Senator from Massachu-setts is in a slightly different attitude than the Senator from Idaho. They con curred, however, in their attack parently these special New York inter-ests having 'an interest in the treaty' did not permit the Senator from Ida examine it, while the Senator from ticularly favored. These New York cerns, they say, have particular inter-est in the terms of the treaty. This volves an attack upon the Presiden of the most scandalous character

Calls It a Monstrous Charge.

"It appears to be a new chapter in the attack upon the treaty itself-It conveys to the public mind the idea that there is a secret combination between the commission headed by are to be given advance infarmation withheld from the Senate—a monatrous

"Men who make such a charge owe it to the public to demand an inves-tigation, and they would have demanded (Continued on Third Page.)

ALLIES WILL NOT ALTER IT CHANGES IN PACT

Conference at House of Premier Lloyd George Discusses Minor Concessions.

ADDITIONS EXPLANATORY

Fixed Sum for Reparations Is Refused-Reply to Germans Expected Monday.

> By the Associated Press. By LAURENCE HILLS. Staff Correspondent of Tan Sun

Copyright, 1919; all rights reserved. Paris, June 5.-At a conference at Premier Lloyd George's house to-day a plan was suggested by the allied experts whereby the treaty text will be changed but little, and that only for clarification. Under this plan There was endless conversation in there would be numerous additions to the treaty. One of these would explain that the Allies and associated Powers do not mean that Article CCXLI. is intended to take over control of Germany's domestic legislation or control of individuals, and proclaiming the allied purpose to hamper Germany as little as possible.

The plan would also provide an arrangement whereby Germany would be assured a supply of Silesian coal and announces allied intention of withdrawing troops from the occupied stituent Assembly. territory before fifteen years

conditions are justified. The plan met with considerable the Allies. It is understood Mr. cerns. He had merely suggested that Lloyd George withheld approval of probably Senator Lodge had seen frag- the plan. The compromise is likely to have the sanction of the French.

tually was agreed to let the treaty stand unchanged, but to clarify cerrelating to reparation, by means of here continue to be cautious in the matadditional clauses. While the total ter of Russian negotiations.

In the added matter provision is an eventual plebiscite in Silesia and possibly in East Prussia.

There is great hopefulness that the alifed answer to the German counter proposals will be ready by Monday. ANTI-REDS CAPTURE The Germans will get a few days in which to reply. In many allied circles there is a feeling of optimism that Germany will accept if the new plan is adopted.

Serious Omission Discovered.

covered in the treaty, namely, failure to stipulate the period to be allowed the Germans for ratification. It is pointed out that the delegation could at sign, but that Germany by not ratifying could prevent execution of the Bukowina, was made to-day by the Ru- sign this trenty." treaty provisions. The treaty singu- manian Press Bureau. Senator Lodge said he was willing to take all the blame that could be placed upon him, but protested that he ratification, the ratifying clause coverhad said nothing about "financial inter- ing the Allies only.

Information reaching THE SUN gram fr from Massachusetts, leading the main from Versailles is to the effect that Govern body of Senators on the other side of the German peace delegates do not south from Versailles is to the effect that Government have been defeated in the expect to get many concessions. They are of the impression that while the 100 guns and much war material.

Allies seem divided on details they The Esthonian offensive against Allies seem divided on details they remain firm on the fundamentals.

The Germans say their project represents their maximum and they must telegram continues: stand on it, thus preventing their signature if the allied changes do not cover fundamentals reconcilable with the Soviet has been broken and the of instigating the separatist movethe fourteen points.

May Surrender Government The Germans say they are willing to hand over their Government to the to hand over their Government to the Allies, according to the suggestion of Von Rathenau, the German industrial expert, which plan is generally favored if the Allies carry out their threat of occupation.

The Germans at Versailles continue to demand oral discussions, believing they eventually can gain their ends by that method.

Berlin is in the closest touch with Versailles, and Gustave Noske, Minister of Defence, favors Rathenau's plan, being confident the armies will Special Cable Despatch to Tax St. from the not advance even if the order to in-President in Paris and the business in-terests in New York by which the latter, vade Germany is given. Some of the Germans, therefore, do not regard

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Austria in Mourning Over Peace Demands

TREATY UNLESS MODIFIED;

COPENHAGEN, June 5.—Austria will mourn to-morrow Black flags will be flown through out the country, according to despatches reaching here, as an expression of the feeling of the population over the peace terms handed to Austria.

TO ALLIES' FIAT Ready to Grant Demands, but

KOLCHAK BOWS

Cannot Guarantee Freedom of Lithuania.

RUSSIA BACKS ADMIRAL Americans Remain Cautious Over Peace Treaty Despite

Reassuring Reports.

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUN Copyright, 1919; all rights reserved. Paris, June 5.-It is reported in French official circles that Admira Kolchak is disposed to accept all the allied demands laid down as the condition of recognition for his Govern-The Admiral declares, how- Scheldemann. ever, he cannot undertake to guarantee the independence of States like Lithuania and Livonia, as this would devolve more or less upon the Con-

He agrees to recognize the independ ence of Poland and Finland, and in the case of the latter even offers to go favor as avoiding embarrassmen; to further than the Allies suggested. He proposes an alliance with Gen. Mannerhelm for the dual occupation of

A report reaching Paris to-day con firms an announcement of a few days ago that the Archangel Government is fillied to accept Kolchak. The report adds the north Russian Government will agree to extend recognition if the Omak tain sections of it, particularly those lies they demand. American officials tacked; I will be consistent to the

of reparations will not be fixed the A member of the American mission maximum of yearly payments will be denied to-day the assertion of a foreign is not the peace that before the world maximum of yearly payments will be diplomat that Kolchak would be recognited in the name of America promised This represents a com- nized in the shortest possible time in the German people. I cannot sign it Senate or elsewhere for anything they promise between the Lloyd George order that he may sign the peace treaty as it now stands, because such an in the chamber. and Clemenceau extremes for which so far has not intimated that it would act would not be compatible with my

in the added matter provision is. There is an impression in certain made for supplying Silesian coal to quarters here that Kolchak is failing in Germany, and there is a promise of strength daily and that he cannot hold on much longer. Official and private advices to conference groups giving de-tails of the Admiral's defeats go to sup-left of Germany." port these contentions.

Kolchak Forces Defeated, Is

Petrograd Report.

London, June 5 .- Troops of the army of Gen. Simon Petiura, the anti-Bol-A serious omission has been dis. shevik peasant leader in the Ukraine, have captured the railway centres of Proskurov and Berdicheff, in western Ukraine, according to an announcement made by the Ukrainian Press Bureau not give either my approval or my

> had captured Czernowitz, the capital of The Swedish Socialist paper, Folketscommunication with the Russian Bolshevik Government, has received a teleforces of Admira! Kolchak of the Omsk south and centre, while the northern front is shaking. The Soviet troops are said to have captured 40,000 prisoners.

Denial of the report the Bolsheviki

stopped and the anti-Bolsheviki are retiring in the direction of Jamburg. The The British navy attempted to force the Finnish Gulf, but retired. "The revolutionary movement against

Soviet is stronger than ever STOCKHOLM, June 5 .- The Bolshevik ave been forced to evacuate the town of

Paris, June b .- M. Poska, the Foreign tion. of Esthonia, arrived in Paris to-day to ask the Great Powers to sid fighting the Bolsheviki southwest of

REDS SEIZED IN MUNICH.

1.500 Arrests Made in

London Times Service. Copyright, 1919; all rights reserved days 1,500 men and women who assisted by men who are unknown politically e Soviet republic have been arrested.

Munich.

trials by martial law will be abolished. The number of Spartacans killed or wounded in the Munich fighting was be-

Scheidemann Predicts New Government Which Cannot Last Long.

WOULD BEOVERTURNED

Says Either Militarists or Communists Would Seize German Reins.

MANKIEWITZ HOPELESS

Managing Director of Deutsche Bank Styles Reparation Commission as Unacceptable.

By KARL H. von WIEGAND. Staff Correspondent of THE SUN.

Copyright, 1519; all rights reserved. BERLIN. June 4 (delayed) .- The German Government as now constituted will not sign the peace treaty unless "material changes" are made. If the German counter proposals are rejected and the allied and associated Premiers decline to make modifica tions there will be no signing.

Speculation on the probable course of the German Government in the original terms would seem to be set at rest by the unqualified statement made to me to-day by Chancellot

"Speaking for myself," said Herr Scheidemann, "under no circum stances will I attach my signature to the treaty unless it is materially The one time compositor, now Chapcellor of the new Germany, had just

returned from a conference with the former harness maker. Ebert, now President. He spoke slowly and deliberately, as if weighing every word

Makes Positive Refusal. "I have been consistent throughout the war," he said. "I fought in the Reichstag for a peace of reconciliation based on President Wilson's princi-Cabinet will give guarantees to the Al- ples, for which I was bitterly at last. The peace now laid before Germany is not a Wilson peace. It is not the peace that before the world

> "I will frankly admit to you that I want to sign a treaty of peace, but not a treaty that would mean the

With a gesture of both hands he continued: "Perhaps some one else may be found to take my place who UKRAINE RAILWAYS can bring himself to sign, but unless the conditions are materially altered I cannot and will not place my signature to the treaty."

> I suggested that refusal to sign might bring even worse conditions upon Germany. "My attitude," said Herr Scheide mann, "is that if I knew I would be murdered for my refusal I still would

> signature to this treaty. No matter how hopeless the outlook I will not I had gone to see the Premlet about another matter and was surprised therefore when he volunteered

Separatist Movement Alarms.

The imminence and probable reply of the Allies to the German counter proposals fills the press here, overshadowing the attention that is being Petrograd, the telegram adds, has been paid to the Rhine separatist movement. Herr Scheldemann was very bitter toward what he called the "political immorality" of the French military authorities, whom he accuses ment in the Rhine regions at a time when peace exchanges are taking profiteers, who are seeking a way out of paying their share of repara-

The Premier added it was neces sary to differentiate sharply between Petrograd. He will have a conference two currents in the separatist move-

"One of them," he said, "is a justifiable aspiration toward autonomy by persons in all parties who unqualifieldy are loyal to Germany, but demand that what now constitute provinces become independent states within the framework of the German Bgan, June 5 .- During the last few Republic. The other movement is led and have no party or organization Within a few weeks martial law and behind them and who to a large degree are war profiteers. With these are others who immediately threw themselves into the arms of the oc-